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Amendments to the Claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1. (Currently Amended) A process for polymerizing olefin(s) comprising combining said olefin(s) in the presence of a catalyst system comprising a Group 15 containing bidentate or tridentate ligated metal catalyst compound, wherein the process is conducted at a temperature from between 50° C to 200° C, and wherein the catalyst compound is represented by the formulae:

$$R^{3}$$
 L R^{1} Y R^{6} R^{7} R^{7} R^{7} R^{5}

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wherein M is metal;

each X is an aryl substituted alkyl leaving group; 1999U029.Reissne.US.1.111.5.21.07.doc

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y is 0 or 1:

n is the oxidation state of M:

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m is the formal charge of Y, Z and L or of Y, Z, and L';

L is a Group 15 element;

L' is a Group 15 element or Group 14 containing group,

Y is a Group 15 element;

Z is a Group 15 element;

R1 and R2 are independently a C1 to C20 hydrocarbon group, a heteroatom containing group having up to twenty carbon atoms, silicon, germanium, tin, lead, or phosphorus;

R³ is absent, a hydrocarbon group, hydrogen, a halogen, or a heteroatom containing group;

R4 and R5 are independently an alkyl group, an aryl group, a substituted aryl group, a cyclic alkyl group, a substituted cyclic alkyl group, a cyclic arylalkyl group, a substituted cyclic arylalkyl group or a multiple ring system: R¹ and R² may be interconnected to each other, and/or R⁴ and R⁵ may be interconnected to each other:

R⁶ and R⁷ are independently absent, hydrogen, an alkyl group, halogen, heteroatom or a hydrocarbyl group; [and]

R* is absent, hydrogen, a Group 14 atom containing group, a halogen, or a heteroatom containing group; and

wherein said Group 15 containing bidentate or tridentate ligated metal catalyst compound is added to a polymerization reactor in one of a slurry, a solution, an emulsion, a dispersion, or a suspension.

- 2. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein R¹ and R² are selected from the group consisting of a C1 to C20 hydrocarbon group, a heteroatom containing group, silicon, germanium, tin, lead, and phosphorus.
- 3. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein L or L' may also be bound to nothing, a hydrogen, a Group 14 atom containing group, a halogen, or a heteroatom containing group, and wherein each of the two Group 15 atoms are also bound to

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a cyclic group and may optionally be bound to hydrogen, a halogen, a heteroatom, a hydrocarbyl group, or a heteroatom containing group.

4. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein R⁴ and R⁵ are represented by the formula:

wherein R⁸ to R¹² are each independently hydrogen, a C_l to C₄₀ alkyl group, a halide, a heteroatom, or a heteroatom containing group containing up to 40 carbon atoms, wherein any two R groups may form a cyclic group and/or a heterocyclic group, and wherein the cyclic groups may be aromatic.

- 5. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 4 wherein R⁸ to R¹² [R⁹, R¹⁰ and R¹²] are independently a methyl, ethyl, propyl or butyl group and X is a substituted aryl group having greater than 10 carbon atoms.
- 6. (Currently Amended) The process of claim 4 wherein R⁸ to R¹² [R⁹, R¹⁰ and R¹²] are methyl groups, [and R⁸ and R¹¹ are hydrogen] and X is [a] an alkyl substituted with an aryl group.
- 7. (Original) The process of claim 4 wherein L, Y, and Z are nitrogen, R¹ and R² are a hydrocarbon radical, R³ is hydrogen, and R⁶ and R⁷ are absent.
- (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein L and Z are independently nitrogen, L'
 is a hydrocarbyl radical, and R⁶ and R⁷ are absent.
- 9. (Cancelled)
- (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the process is a continuous gas phase process.
- 11. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the process is a continuous slurry phase process.
- 12. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the olefin(s) is ethylene or propylene. 1999U029.Reissuu.US.1.111.5.21.07.doc

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- 13. (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the olefins are ethylene and at least one other monomer having from 3 to 20 carbon atoms.
- (Original) The process of claim 1 wherein the catalyst system further comprises 14. an activator.
- 15.-31. (Cancelled)